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POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention "**MANAGING ACCESS TO PHYSICAL ASSETS**" (Docket No. 612-65525), filed on **November 14, 2003**, and having been assigned Patent Application No. 10/713,771 the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me which is material to patentability (as defined in 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.56) in connection with the examination of this application. I also acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability which becomes available between the date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of any continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the applications(s) on which priority is claimed:

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed	Claim Priority?
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) or § 365(c) of any PCT international application(s) designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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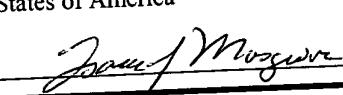
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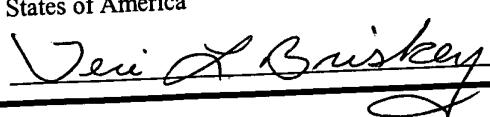
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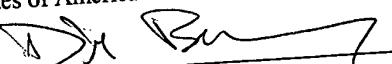
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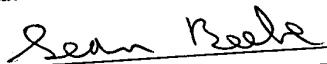
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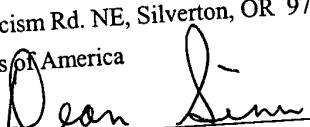
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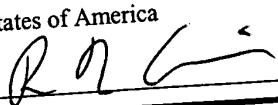
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